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STEEL STRIPS

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 1, 2009, Applicants provisionally elect, for examination purposes only, the following species:

Species Group I: Claim 6, drawn to an induction heating devices

Species Group II: Claim 15, drawn to the immersion in a pickling bath containing said pickling solution.

This election is made with traverse.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.